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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

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R. LADABOY VANIA  
Singapore, 21st August, 1889. 1765

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with Bed, curtains, a **SITTING ROOM**, Three  
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Office of this Paper.  
Singapore, 22nd August, 1889. 1754

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COMPANY, LIMITED.**

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Company, registered in Hongkong, to take over  
on the 1st August, 1889, the business of  
the Taku Tug and Lighter Company, and  
to construct and develop any one concern  
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thousand (\$50,000) Tientsin Taels.

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in Taels), of which 1,179 Shares are  
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August, 1888. [1763]

CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

COMPANY, LIMITED.  
M CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND  
SINGAPORE.  
Company's Steamship  
"WINGANG."  
arrived from the above Ports, Consignees  
by her are hereby informed that their  
being landed at their risk into the  
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf  
Company, Limited, at West Point,  
delivery may be obtained.  
resumable goods on board after the 28th  
will be subject to rent.  
are Insurance has been effected. Con-  
are requested to present all claims  
and/or to pay charges not later than  
of September aforesaid.

of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 21st August, 1899. 11760

**ADRIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

STEAMSHIP "ABYSSINIA,"  
FROM VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA,  
AND KOBE.

above Steamer having arrived, Con-  
signees of Cargo are hereby requested  
in their Bills of Lading for Counter-

impeding the discharge of the Vessel  
and stored Consignee's risk and  
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hong Kong, 21st August, 1888. 18  
CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.  
SHANGHAI (SWATOW).  
Cargo and Freight at through rates  
TEKOO, TIENT-SIN, NEWCASTLE, HART-  
W, and PORTS on the YANGTZEK.  
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"KUTSANG"

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 Roach, will be despatched at above  
 SUNDAY, the 25th inst. at Dar-  
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 Freight or Passage, apply to  
 DOUGLAS LAFLAINE & Co.,  
 General Managers.  
 21st August, 1889. 1761  
 THE STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
 LIMITED.  
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 Company's Steamship.

General Managers,  
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SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND  
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and Crew, will be despatched as above  
WEDNESDAY, the 28th inst, at THREE

The steamer has superior First Class accom-  
modation, especially constructed to meet the re-  
quirements of tropical climates.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
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General Managers. 11789  
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 & SUBATIN UNITED COMPANIES.)  
 STEAMERS FOR  
 COBE, PENANG, AND BOMBAY,  
 India with Company's Mail Steamers,  
 SUDAN, PORT SAID,  
 SINAI, NAPLES, (LEGHORN),  
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 cargo at through rates to PERSIAN  
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 Company's Steamship  
 "BORMIDA,"  
 Master, will be despatched as above

DAY, the 6th Sept. at Noon.  
 DAY the Steamers are discharging, in  
 the Dock.  
 Further Particulars regarding Freight  
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 Agents.  
 22nd August, 1889.

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LIMITED.  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.  
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WATERS.

OUR AERATED WATER MANUFACTORY  
is replete with the best Machinery, embodying  
all the latest improvements in the trade.

The greatest attention has been paid  
to appliances for ensuring purity in the Water  
supply, to secure which we have added a Con-  
denser, capable of supplying with 5,000 gallons  
of distilled water a day, and are now in a  
position to compete in quality with the best  
English makers. Our Sweet Waters cannot be  
surpassed anywhere.

The most ingredients only are used, and  
the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised  
in the manufacture throughout.

For Cakes, Pastes, Waters are packed  
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and the full amount allowed for Freight and  
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Whenever practicable, are despatched by first  
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No Credit given for Bottles that look  
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used for any other purpose than that of contain-  
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A table-spoonful (more or less according to  
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of Wine or Spirit produces excellent and  
palatable results.

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TELEPHONE NO. 12.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, AUGUST 22ND, 1890.

It would be a curious state of affairs if per-  
sons carrying out drainage works according  
to the directions of the Sanitary Board re-  
spected themselves liable to prosecution by  
us doing. This, however, was the position  
Mr. Stokes, the Acting Crown Solicitor,  
endeavored to establish at the Police Court  
on Tuesday. A contractor who had made a  
connection from a private house to the main  
drain according to plans approved by Mr.  
Cooper, Sanitary Surveyor to the Sanitary  
Board, was summoned because he had not  
secured the approval of the same gentleman  
as Acting Assistant Surveyor-General. The  
Public Health Act gives the Sanitary Board  
power to require certain works to be done,  
and the public must therefore recognize that  
body as the ultimate authority in such  
matters. But, says the Acting Crown Soli-  
citor, the laying of drains involves the break-  
ing up of roads, and the control of the roads  
is vested in the Surveyor-General.

The contractor in the case in question was  
succeeding in his case under section 6  
of Ordinance 12 of 1885, which declares certain  
acts to be nuisances, including "the doing of  
any act whereby injury to or obstruction,  
whether directly or consequential, may  
accrue to a public road, path, or walk."

There is a proviso in the last section of the  
said Ordinance to the effect that "nothing  
contained in this Ordinance, or in any of the  
Ordinances herewith incorporated, shall  
operate to the restraint or punishment of any  
act of thing done under lawful authority or  
sanctioned by the law."

Mr. Pollock, the Magistrate, found that the Sanitary Board  
was a lawful authority and dismissed the  
case. The spectacle of Mr. Cooper, as Acting  
Assistant Surveyor-General, impugning the  
authority of himself as Sanitary Surveyor,  
has something supremely ridiculous about  
it; but it would nevertheless seem that  
there may possibly be a defect in the law  
requiring to be made good. Although the  
Sanitary Board has power to require connec-  
tions to be made with the main drainage,  
which necessarily involves the taking up of  
the road, it does not appear that it has any  
authority over the re-making of the road.

This is a matter over which it is necessary  
that some control should be exercised, and  
it was to establish the authority of the Sur-  
veyor-General in this respect that the pro-  
secution was instituted in the case before  
Tuesday. The decision being unfavorable to  
the Surveyor-General's claim, some  
amendment of the law will probably be  
deemed necessary, either throwing the duty  
of re-making the road purely on the city

Sanitary Board or making other provision  
with that object. That, however, is a com-  
munitary minor matter. What is important  
is that the decision establishes the com-  
plete independence of the Sanitary  
Board with reference to private drainage,  
and that persons acting under the authority  
of the Board cannot be annoyed by the in-  
ference of any other public authority. It  
would have been a humbling blow if it  
had been held that peaceable and orderly  
citizens could be held before the Magistrate  
and fined for complying with the lawful  
requirements of a legally constituted body  
like the Sanitary Board.

The remark of Mr. MacKinnon at the re-  
cent meeting of the Peak residents to the  
effect that there could be no efficient drain-  
age without an adequate water supply was  
eminently to the point. If the admission of  
rain water to the sewers has to be depended  
upon for cleansing purposes then there ought  
to be a sewerage system. To enlarge the  
sewers for the purpose of admitting rain water when there  
happens to be a shower, would only be to  
intensify the nuisance of foul drains dur-  
ing dry weather. Whether pipe drains or  
Y-shaped drains be adopted, the result in  
this respect will be the same. With a  
copious and constant supply of water to each  
house for domestic purposes, the quantity  
passing into the sewers would be proportion-  
ately increased, and with a sufficient number  
of houses connected with the main drainage  
a current of self-cleansing velocity would be  
secured. The only advantage a Y-shaped  
sewer has over a pipe is that it can be con-  
structed of sufficient size to carry off any  
required quantity of storm water. Where  
the storm water can be disposed of by sur-  
face drainage, as at the Peak, it would be  
palpably absurd to construct under-ground  
drains to carry it off. If, therefore, there  
are to be sewers at all in that district the  
decision will naturally be in favour of pipes.  
But the supply of water for domestic pur-  
poses on the heights being limited, the  
main drainage laid down has turned out  
so far to be a failure. It was no  
doubt expected that the inflow from the  
houses would be sufficient to create a  
constant current, but this expectation has  
apparently been disappointed; hence the  
bad smells. The system, we believe, is  
theoretically correct, as applied to districts  
where there is an abundant and constant  
supply of water to a sufficient number of  
houses connected with the main drainage;  
but the conditions at the Peak being that  
houses are widely scattered and the supply  
of water exceedingly small, it has turned out  
a failure in practice. Judging from the  
tenor of the remarks made at the meeting  
last week it would appear, however, that  
the Peak residents do not desire that under-  
ground drainage should be done away with  
if it can be avoided, but that some means  
should be found for making it innocuous.

Mr. Lazenby, who has been professionally re-  
tained to assist with his advice the Com-  
mittee appointed to wait upon the Governor,  
may possibly be able to suggest some im-  
provements in the main drainage itself, but  
we suspect his chief recommendation will  
be in the direction of an increased water  
supply. Possibly he may recommend that  
the main drainage already laid down should  
be taken up altogether, but it is quite cer-  
tain he will not recommend the enlarge-  
ment of the drains with a view to the ad-  
mission of storm water, leaving them a  
greater nuisance than at present during dry  
weather. The increase of the water supply  
is not in itself a very difficult problem, pro-  
vided the necessary funds are available. The  
lytton water may be pumped up, or im-  
pounding reservoirs may be made in the  
neighbourhood of Munnick Ridge. Some  
scheme for the supply of water to the rap-  
idly increasing village should be adopted, and  
that without delay.

We hear that Mr. E. Robinson will succeed  
Mr. H. E. Pollock as Acting Police Magistrate.

We hear that the action for libel, Fraser  
Smith v. Murray Bain is down for hearing on  
the 3rd prox.

The Criminal Sessions for this month closed  
yesterday afternoon. Juries were required for this  
morning will not, therefore, be required to attend.

The Agents (Messrs. Carlisle & Co.) inform  
us that the N. G. S. steamer *Bormida*, from  
Bombay, left Singapore yesterday for this port.

The agent informs us that the O. & O.  
steamer *Belgia*, with mails, &c. from San Fran-  
cisco to the 3rd inst., has arrived at Yokohama  
and will leave for this port to-day.

The Director of the Observatory reports that  
the typhoon has passed to the south of Formosa.  
The barometer rose after 7 p.m. yesterday. The  
day was fine, but sultry and oppressive.

The North German Lloyd steamer, it is said  
by a Japan paper, to open a direct steam serv-  
ice between Singapore and Bremen, via  
the steamer will begin running in January,  
1891.

While a Chinese sub-contractor was engaged  
in superintending the erection of shears on  
one of the Commissioners wharves, the machinery  
gave way and fell, crushing his head and killing  
him instantly.

Coiners in China have been driving a brisk  
trade in counterfeit Netherlands silver coin. A  
large consignment of it has just found a market  
in Java. The coins reach the latter through  
newly arrived immigrants from the Celestial Em-  
pire.

The *Yiji Shippo* states that it is the intention  
of the Japanese Government to establish a  
Japanese Consulate at Fookien, and the name of  
Captain Iwano Kano, who has had a  
long acquaintance with that country, as the  
likeliest gentleman to be selected for the post.

The Messageries Maritimes steamer *Cat-  
dowin*, with the French mail of the 25th inst.,  
was to leave Singapore at 11 a.m. yesterday, and  
may be expected to arrive here on or about the  
28th instant. This packet brings reports let-  
ters despatched from Hongkong on the 15th June.

The *Japan Bde* says that negotiations have  
been opened between the Netherlands and  
British Governments regarding the North  
Borneo boundary question. That journal also  
states that, as a satisfactory settlement  
has been come to, both Governments will ap-  
point a commission to mark out the line of frontier.

The *Japan Mail* says that the negotiations for  
a new treaty between Japan and France have  
been nearly concluded. The French Minister  
recently made a despatch on the subject on the 10th  
instant. The treaty will be signed about the  
15th of October. The answer from Paris being  
expected to arrive in Tokyo about the beginning  
of October.

A Batavian paper says that the Rajah of Ed  
has been fined \$50,000 for allowing a Dutch  
garage to be built on his land. He promptly paid  
the fine, but he is to receive under the respon-  
sibility there laid upon him, that it is said he  
intends shortly to proceed to quit Singapore  
for good.

The calendar at the Criminal Sessions for  
August, which closed yesterday, contained ten  
cases comprising over 30 prisoners for trial, and  
of these only one was convicted. At first  
sight this would appear a matter for congratula-  
tion as a thing of progress, the reduction of the  
prison population, but it is to be remembered that  
sometimes other circumstances besides the inno-  
cence of the accused affect an acquittal.

We (Strait Times) regret to learn that the  
N. I. S. *Compta*, which went ashore on the 27th  
of July at Goenag, Stille, on the south coast  
of Sumatra, has been wrecked. She lost  
passengers and crew, and the specie were saved,  
but all the other cargo is lost, and very little of  
it, we believe, was insured. The *Compta* was a  
steamer of 1,300 tons register.

At the Criminal Sessions for August, which  
closed yesterday, the judge, Mr. Justice, said  
that the 20th ultimo bond for Palang was paid  
at court with a full cargo.

Says the *Japan Gazette*—In the recent dis-  
cussion in the columns of a leading English  
journal of the query "Is marriage a failure?"  
much diversity of opinion was displayed by the  
contributors to that interesting argumentation;  
but that marriage has been a failure—and a most  
decided failure, too—in Ishikawa-ken, will be  
readily admitted by every one. Last year alone,  
there were no less than 1,788 divorces. The  
number of marriages during the same period  
was 8,121.

The *Strait Times* translates the following  
from a Japan paper—Literature, the slave trade  
with Singapore had its seat in Mid-Java, but  
the traffic has been transferred to the coast of  
Java, and is now carried on by a Chinese steamer  
named *Agass*. It is a small vessel, but it carries  
a large cargo of slaves, and it is said to be a  
most successful one. The slaves are taken from  
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The *Penang Gazette* says that according to  
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the *Agass* was not sunk, but was damaged. The  
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